

awarded under this new solicitation with industry partners' contributions being at least half of a project's costs (statutory requirement). DOE intends that its industry partners will be vertically integrated teams composed of equipment manufacturers, HTS wire and coil suppliers, component suppliers, and end users (primarily utilities). Each partnership may, at its option, utilize via a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with any of the DOE's national laboratories. The laboratory could contribute specialized capabilities, facilities, or equipment to the project that would complement the partnership's needs. These teams carry out the multi-year technology developmental efforts, consisting of design, construction, installation and testing phases. The DOE currently has seven SPI projects for the following equipment: flywheel energy storage system, magnetic separator unit, motors, transformers, and underground AC cables. DOE is eager to increase the diversity of its portfolio of HTS power system applications.

DOE is contemplating issuing a solicitation early in FY2001 in response to the continuing interest in the SPI by its industrial stakeholders and due to the impressive technical progress by the participating industry teams involved in current SPI activities with DOE. DOE anticipates that awards will be made to teams for projects ranging in size from hundreds of thousands of dollars to several million dollars per year and for project periods of up to four years. Subject to the availability of funds, it is anticipated that the DOE funding for the contemplated solicitation will be no more than \$7 million in the first year, and no more than \$9 million for each of the following 3 years. The SPI awards will be cost-shared cooperative agreements between DOE and the prime of the industry-led team. The anticipated solicitation intends to combine the requirement of earlier SPI solicitations for the development of full-scale, pre-commercial power applications, utilizing essentially available HTS conductors, e.g., BSCCO multi-filamentary tapes and forms. The solicitation also intends to assess the potential impacts of replacing available HTS conductors with promising coated HTS conductors, currently under development, into the proposed power application. DOE also expects the solicitation will require that the application include an energy and economic benefits analysis, technical performance expectations, product or

system design studies, and a business plan for product introduction.

Respondents to this notice should notify DOE of their interest in submitting a proposal to the anticipated solicitation. In addition, information or comments to assist in drafting the solicitation will be appreciated.

Issued in Golden, Colorado, on August 15, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. MG00-6-003]

Dominion Resources, Inc. and Consolidated Natural Gas Company; Notice of Filing

August 17, 2000.

Take notice that on August 1, 2000, Dominion Resources, Inc. and Consolidated Natural Gas Company (CNG) submitted a compliance filing as required by the May 17, 2000 Order on Compliance Filing, 91 FERC 61,140 (2000), and the May 17, 2000 Standards of Conduct Order, 91 FERC ¶ 61,141 (2000).

CNG states that it has served copies of this filing to all parties on the service list.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 or 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 or 385.214). All such motions to intervene or protest should be filed on or before September 1, 2000. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.ud/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP00-435-000]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Application

August 17, 2000.

Take notice that on August 10, 2000, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural), 747 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois, 60148, filed an application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and the Commission's Regulations to abandon interests in offshore lateral, tap and meter facilities and requests a determination that following abandonment, that the facilities will be non-jurisdictional gathering facilities, all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance.).

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to James J. McElligott, Senior Vice President, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, 747 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148 (630) 691-3525.

Specifically Natural requests:

(1) Permission and approval to abandon, by sale to Green Canyon Pipe Line Company, L.P., successor to Green Canyon Pipe Line Company, L.L.C. (Green Canyon), a nonjurisdictional gathering company, Natural's 10.60610% interest in 16.82 miles of 24-inch diameter offshore lateral originating in Mustang Island (MUI) Block 758A, offshore, Texas and terminating in Matagorda Island (MI) Block 686, offshore, Texas including related tap facilities and appurtenances (MUI 758A Lateral);

(2) Permission and approval to abandon, by sale to Green Canyon, Natural's 35.00% interest in the MUI 758A Receiving Station consisting of a dual 6-inch meter and liquids extraction and dehydration equipment and appurtenances (MUI 758A Receiving Station) located on the MUI 758 platform authorized in Docket Nos. CP81-215-000 and 001; and

(3) A determination in the Commission's order that following abandonment, and upon transfer to Green Canyon, the relevant interests in the MUI 758A Lateral and MUI 758A Receiving Station will become part of Green Canyon's gathering system and will be nonjurisdictional and not subject to NGA regulation by the Commission,